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09/427,457

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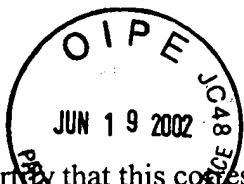
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Filed: 16 October 1999 /
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Group Art Unit: 2872
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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated 4 March 2002, finally rejecting claims 1
26 and 29 - 39 in the above-identified application, and in view of the RCE application
herewith, please amend the above application as follows:

Amend the following claim according to
by a marked-up version attached as Exhibit A.

IN THE CLAIMS

Amend the following claim according to the clean copy that appears below, as explained

by a marked-up version attached as Exhibit A.

1. A holographic microscope comprising:
 - a) an optical system having an objective,

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